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Amendments to the Specification

Please add the following new paragraph at page 1, line 3:

-- This application claims the benefit, under 35 U.S.C. § 365 of International Application PCT/EP03/51012, filed December 15, 2003, which was published in accordance with PCT Article 21(2) on July 22, 2004 in English and which claims the benefit of French patent application No. 0300009, filed January 2, 2003.

Field of the invention --

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-- Background of the invention --

Please **add** the following **new** paragraph after the paragraph ending at page 4, line 7:

-- Summary of the invention --

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending at page 11, line 7:

-- Brief description of the drawings --

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-- Description of preferred embodiment --